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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Neumayr et al.

Group Art Unit: 1771

Serial No.: 09/485,277

Examiner: Juska, C.

Filed: May 17, 2000

Docket No.: 1328/3

Confirmation No.: 1728

For: PROCESS TO MANUFACTURE A CELLULOSE FIBRE FROM HYDRATE

CELLULOSE

AMENDMENT B

Mail Stop [Non-]Fee Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is responsive to the second and final Official Action mailed December 16, 2002, having a period for Response set to expire on March 16, 2003. A three (3) month Petition for Extension of Time and Notice of Appeal are being filed herewith to extend the time to respond to <u>June 16, 2003</u>. Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the following Amendments and Remarks.

AMENDMENT

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 13, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The ripened crumbs are subsequently treated under application of the conventional wet sulphide process in order to sulphidise the cellulose. The wet sulphide process is preferably carried out in a solution containing carbon

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